

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. The Examiner has rejected Claims 1, 4, 5, 8, 12-15 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Gutierrez (U.S. Patent 6,519,233) in view of Tanno et al. (U.S. Patent 6,078,572). The Examiner has rejected Claims 2, 6, 9 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Gutierrez in view of Tanno et al. and Chen (U.S. Patent 6,330,462). The Examiner has rejected Claims 3, 7 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Gutierrez in view of Tanno et al., and further in view of Honkasalo et al. (U.S. Patent 6,091,717). The Examiner has rejected Claims 16-19 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Gutierrez in view of Tanno et al. and Rinne et al. (U.S. Patent 6,671,286).

Regarding the rejections of independent Claims 1, 5, 8, 12-15 and 20, the Examiner states that Gutierrez in view of Tanno et al. discloses all of the elements of these claims. Gutierrez discloses a subscriber unit burst mode reservation in a CDMA wireless communication system. Tanno et al. discloses an access method, mobile station and base station for a CDMA mobile communication system. Regarding independent Claim 11, the Examiner states that Gutierrez in view of Tanno et al. and Chen discloses all of the elements of this claim. Chen discloses a method and apparatus for pre-transmission power control using a lower rate for a high rate communication. Regarding independent Claims 16-19, the Examiner states that Gutierrez in view of Tanno et al. and Rinne et al. discloses all of the elements of these claims. Rinne et al. discloses a method and apparatus for indicating variable data processing in telecommunication connections.

On February 25, 2005 Applicants' representative, Michael J. Musella, Esq., conducted a telephone interview with the Examiner. No agreement was reached.

Each of independent Claims 1, 5, 8 and 11-20 recite that indicating parameters are generated, that these indicating parameters include a reverse common channel designation indicator and an action time, and that the indicating parameters are received by the mobile

station to inform the mobile station of the reverse common channel that has been designated as a dedicated channel as well as the time at which to begin transmission over the now-dedicated channel. Nowhere in any of the references is there a single reference parameter that includes both a reverse common channel designation indicator and an action time. As neither Gutierrez, Tanno et al., Chen nor Rinne et al., either alone or in combination, teach or disclose these elements, the rejections of Claims 1, 5, 8 and 11-20 must be withdrawn.

Independent Claims 1, 5, 8 and 11-20 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Without conceding the patentability per se of dependent Claims 2-4, 6, 7, 9 and 10, these are likewise believed to be allowable by virtue of their dependence on their respective amended independent claims. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of dependent Claims 2-4, 6, 7, 9 and 10 is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-20, are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

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